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In Re:	Patent Application of Futoshi Tanigawa et al.	: Group Art Unit: 1745
Conf. No.:	1498	:
Appln. No.	09/752,375	: Examiner: Gregg Cantelmo
Filed:	December 29, 2000	:
For:	PASTE TYPE POSITIVE ELECTRODE FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY, AND NICKEL-METAL HYDRIDE STORAGE BATTERY	: Attorney Docket No. 10059-365US (P23917-01)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A))

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a two-month extension of time to and including March 24, 2004, for responding to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2003 (Paper No. 9) and the Advisory Actions mailed October 1, 2003 (Paper No. 11) and February 17, 2004 (Paper No. 02062004). A response to the Office Action and Request for Continued Examination accompany this Petition.

☒ [X] A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith.

☒ [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210059.0365) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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